

AJC's recent campaign to educate people on international terrorism and the proposed U.S. international countermeasures. As the sponsor of H.R. 896, the President's Omnibus Counterterrorism Act of 1995, I would like to commend AJC for their efforts.

AJC is a national membership organization which protects the rights of Jews the world over; combats anti-Semitism and bigotry; works for the security of Israel, human rights, and democratic pluralism; and promotes the creative vitality of the Jewish people.

The AJC has recently begun work on raising public consciousness of the threat posed to all of us by terrorism, and developing appropriate responses to this threat.

I ask that the text of the AJC's ad on terrorism be included in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

A TALL ORDER: STOP TERRORISM
NO ISSUE IS MORE URGENT, NO SECURITY
THREAT MORE OMINOUS

Since the World Trade Center bombing two years ago, terrorists espousing a radical, vengeful interpretation of Islam have struck in Buenos Aires (for the second time), Panama, London, Cairo, Algiers and throughout Israel.

Terrorists claim divine guidance, but their brutal acts are condemned by the 50-country Islamic Conference Organization as "a clear deviation from the teachings of the righteous Islamic religion and blatant violation of our values, norms and heritage."

Terrorists are funded, housed, equipped, trained and provided logistical support, according to the U.S. government, by such U.N. member states as Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and Syria.

Terrorists have taken the lives of hundreds of men, women and children of many nationalities and religions. Their targets can be anywhere. The next bus. The next plane. The next skyscraper.

A global peril, terrorism must be confronted globally—and immediately.

First, the U.S. and like-minded nations must intensify their cooperation in the fight against terrorism, making it an urgent international priority. Intelligence-gathering and investigative resources must be increased, border control procedures reassessed, and the flow of financial support to terrorist "charities" blocked, consistent with constitutional safeguards.

Second, the international community's tolerance of states that support terrorism must end. In Europe and the Far East, nations that extend preferential loans and other concessions to such states must be pressed to reconsider their shortsighted policies.

Third, moderate Arab states must be supported in their efforts to contain the forces of extremism. They are on the front line in this struggle.

Fourth, we must work to further the process of reconciliation between Israel and the Arab world which benefits the entire region, and undercuts the appeal of extremism.

These steps will enhance safety across the globe, in every land menaced by terrorism, including our own. It's a tall order . . . and a vital one.

UNWISE CUTS IN EDUCATION

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 14, 1995

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, from time to time I will share with my col-

leagues evidence from people who are at work in Massachusetts of the damage that is being done to our social fabric by the proposed cuts that the Republican Party is putting forward. By increasing military spending, keeping other spending such as the manned space station sacrosanct, and advocating large tax cuts, many of which will go to wealthy people, the Republicans are forcing unduly deep cuts in many important programs that help our society attain the degree of civility that is essential. Recently, the commissioner of education in Massachusetts wrote to me and my Massachusetts congressional colleagues to talk about how seriously damaged programs in Massachusetts will be by cuts in the education area. I ask that Commissioner Antonucci's letter in which he stresses "the important connection between education and the nation's economic competitiveness and the vital role of federal investment in education" be printed here as one more argument against the cuts the Republican Party is now launched upon.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,

Malden, MA, February 28, 1995.

The MASSACHUSETTS CONGRESSIONAL

DELEGATION,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS DELEGATION: As the Appropriations Committee proceeds to vote on March 2 on the re-scission package that would cut \$1.7 billion from Education programs, I have implored them to please consider the important connection between education and the nation's economic competitiveness and the vital role of federal investment in education.

For Massachusetts, a leader in education innovation and reform, the proposed cuts would shatter our best investment. For example, the Goals 2000 initiative so closely tied to each state's reform efforts is scheduled to be cut by \$142 million. Programs such as School To Work and Tech Prep have been lauded as providing high-skilled preparation to 7000 students each year in the work place and the community colleges—the only entry for these particular students for higher wage jobs.

The Safe and Drug-Free program has served each one of our cities and towns since 1986. Through these drug and alcohol abuse programs, we have seen a significant drop in alcohol abuse as reported by students since 1990.

The loss of \$2,000,000 in Adult Education funding has very serious consequences to our most vulnerable population. These monies provide workplace literacy to 1200 adult students, and literacy training to 1500 homeless adult students. Our business community has been so impressed with our success, that they match the federal grant with \$1,800,000 each year.

We have written each member of the Appropriations Committee. We need their vote to reflect a level of funding that ensures every student's educational success.

Sincerely,

ROBERT V. ANTONUCCI,
Commissioner of Education.

TRIBUTE TO THE DISTINGUISHED WOMEN OF CALIFORNIA'S 14TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 14, 1995

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Women's History Month to salute the remarkable women of California's 14th Congressional District who serve their communities as leaders of organizations that assist women.

This year, as we celebrate the 75th anniversary of women's suffrage, it is fitting that we honor those who devote their time and talents to organizations that promote women and meet their needs. The extraordinary efforts and public service of these outstanding women provide our district with great leadership. While we take time during this month to commemorate historic women and their achievements, we also take this opportunity to honor the contributions women in service organizations are currently making to our communities.

Our region is blessed with superbly capable women leaders. Among these distinguished women are: members of the San Mateo County Council on the Status of Women: Linda Crowe, Janet Frakes, Gale Frances, Barbara Gee, Laura Guluzzy, Barbara Hammerman, Zenaída Ivey, Teresa Jollymour, Mary McGlynn, Pat Paik, Ellen Petterson, Jo Anna Reichel, Mary Anne Rooke, Victoria Von Schell, Carol Tanzi, Edwina Wasson, Yvonne Webb, Eva Wright, and Brenda Yost; members of the Santa Clara County Commission on the Status of Women: Bonita Lynn Banducci, Annie Dandavati, Jean Graf, Norma Mencacci, Jyoti Pendse, Gwen Quail, Noreen Raza, Wiggys Sivertsen, Rosemary Stasek, Linda Tauhid and Wilma Wool; Madolyn Agrimonti of the Latina Mentor Program; Elizabeth Alonzo, president of OPEIU Local 29; Dorothy M. Ames, president of AAUW Cupertino/Sunnyvale; Nancy Berg, executive director, San Francisco Bay Girl Scout Council; Vera Berg, vice president, Mills-Peninsula Hospital; Nancy Biagini, president, Communication Workers of America, Local 9423; Crownie Billick, copresident, League of Women Voters, Los Altos-Mountain View; Cynthia Carey-Grant, CARAL; Felisa Castillo, secretary-treasurer, Bakers' Local 24; Kalamu Chache, executive director, the Consortium for Young Women; Marcie Cisneros, Sor Juana Ines; Lisa Conrad, president, League of Women Voters of South San Mateo County; Amy Dean, business manager, South Bay AFL-CIO Labor Council; Carmen Delgado-Contreras, Latina Mentorship Program; Rosalind Fisher, executive vice president, Visa USA Inc.; Nancy Fox, executive director, Girl Scouts of Santa Clara County; Wanda W. Ginner, Petersen/Ginner, Inc.; Dian J. Harrison, executive director, Planned Parenthood of San Mateo County; Ila Homsher, Pacific Gas and Electric; Karen Keane, the Women's Center; Rita Keefe, president, AAUW Los Altos/Mountain View; Jane King, president, AAUW Menlo/Atherton; Muriel Knudsen, copresident, League of Women Voters of Los Altos/Mountain View; Sue Mirch-Kretschmann, president, League of Women Voters of Cupertino/Sunnyvale; Ruth Nagler, the Women's Center; Eve